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and try to take all the time that could be taken on it. I do not like the ethanol component of LB 90. As I stated earlier, in an exchange with Senator Wehrbein, I said very little on that bill; said more when Senator Bourne offered an amendment that would have opened up the bill. Those bills deal with millions of dollars. This amendment deals with \$750,000. I believe that there should be enough votes here to put this money into this program. There are some people, very few, who said they were a part of an agreement which was made before the state's financial condition was determined to be much better than what it was thought to be at that time. That supposed deal that bound the rural people to receiving very little did not in any way hurt the urban interests that got the huge amounts in LB 312. So I'm asking that, since this program is going to be put into effect, there should not be such a small amount of money as the case is now to require communities to race to see if they can get in. Four projects would exhaust all of the \$250,000 which currently is available. I'm asking that my urban colleagues, who have gained so much for their constituents and their constituencies, will give a little bit of something in this fashion in the same way that Senator Bourne years ago...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...managed to put into a rural area some telephone operations so that the people manning those phones could earn some money and there'd be jobs created in the rural part of the state. So there have been urban senators who've tried to help. That universal telephone fund, for which I'm probably being condemned now, that caused all of us to pay a little extra on our phone bills so that there might be a chance to have some telephone service available in the rural areas, was done by me. We do what we can where we can. This is one of those opportunities that I have, and I think my rural colleagues ought to help themselves and the ones they represent, and as many of my urban colleagues as feel the spirit may do the same thing. Thank you, Madam President.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Did you...did you say how you wanted to proceed? A machine vote? The question is the adoption of the Chambers amendment, AM1528. All